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## FRIEND to the LIBERTY of MANKIND,

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THIRTEEN STATES of NORTH AMERICA Should have Medals struck in honour of their Heroes, with a respectable, and useful Copper Coin to circulate amongst them; addressed, in October 1782, the following verses to Congress, which owing to the neglect of the Person to whom they where entrusted, were never received.

Thro' climes, and ages bears each form, and name:
In one short view subjected to our eye,
Gods, Emp'rors, Sages, Patriots lie,
Columbia, ever conscious of her claim,
Stands emulous of more than Roman fame.
In living Medals see her sons enrol'd,
And distant Realms supply recording gold.
Here—rising to the view the Patriot's face;
And there the Soldier in historic brass!"\*
That after Ages with delight may learn
How freemens' hearts with honest zeal can burn:
As honour is their due—transmit their claim,
And on the lasting metal stamp each name.

The above introductory lines are taken, nearly literal from Pope's verses prefixed to Mr. Addison's Dialogues on ancient Medals, Vol. 3. Edition 1726.

Give Washington the Sword, and Pain the pen, ome generous Hancock or And Laurens suffering in the Tyrant's den. With honest Gaddelden, R. Laurens to Statefinen feetsequer la mora misis claim from all respects of members and States and States of the sta Lay, scorned with meanness, and with proud neglecter A " blod out out His friends denied, nor pen, and ink allow'd, Here meric crowds to fall Wifile Fields are crindon? Till, like a thunderfroke, amidft the croud, Bright Victory, from the Virginian shore, Nor can each Hero now be Nor all who fuffer'd war's Proclaim'd-The British Army is no more! Thus from a Prifon was the Father freed, Or beared columbia, with or Beneath a guilt O Brita Affifted by the Son's heroic deed, On other coins the virtues we shall sec Here reft my nen-(a day Of Warren, Worfter, and Montgomory. We'lk draw the Curyon With the brave Lincoln, and of Clinton tell, How truly noble Nash and Mercer fell! Nor skillful Motte forget, nor brave Hugea rock to send of the T Nor Hayne the murder'd, nor the fair M'Cree! And threeping, made the Shall Huddey die! and ARNOLD fill have breath! shall die if is if it He shall and daily view terrific death: Provid for better, or ceor, For ever by the pricks of Confeience troubled; to strotmos usbust storic And ev'ry hour that pungent trouble doubled ! die with does b'not! To treach'rous Gall'way fure some Fame is duc-His praises Satan I must leave to you; In Panygric thou shouldst hold him forth,

But why mispend my time? Leave them to fate, (Such weeds as those shoot up in ev'ry state) Rail and 1921 Portlated Black And turn to Men, tho' not of noble birth, Enobled by their own intrinsic worth. a Wisdom fent Franklin, Adams, and To foreign Courts, where reason pav'd the way; Without, or Gold to tempt, or Pow'r to buy; Mountain a fibration of Savely Each with fair Commerce gain'd a great Ally. halbanda on board talk Pardon digression! Politics I mean, Zenobia was a courag For still more worthies of the field are seen; her courage make her hufblur is ency, but inflexible to Tura Marion, Putnam, La Fayette, and Green. Sumpter, with Moultrie cannot be forgot, t Dankerwas in Bugikad for Nor Rutherford, and M'Intosh the Scot. and noble qualities were in

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mentary Arziv. Come generous Hancock ornament my strain, With honest Gaddesden, Rutledge, Mergan, Wayne. he brave, the wife, Heroes and Statesmen see, the brave, the wise, Like the bold "Alps, o'er other Alps arise!" other Alps arife!" on iny pen, Here merit crowds fo fast upon my pen, While Fields are crimfon'd with the best of Men. with the best of Men, named apart; Nor can each Hero now be named apart; affizing finart; Nor all who fuffer'd war's chaftizing fmart; ression groan Or hear'd Columbia with oppression groan not her own-Beneath a guilt-O Britain! not her ownof peace I've teen) Here rest my pen—(a dawn of peace I've seen) the painful Scene. We'll draw the Curtain o'er the painful Scene. But first my Muse respectfully declare y declare The noble efforts of the gentle Fair; Their Zeal, in Freedom's cause, most tender shone, and rebust floor, shus And, weeping, made their country's cause their own in all share asymptotic \* Dwelt, with disease, and shar'd their husband's fate predivid rieds b'isal Prov'd for better, or worse, the married state: the married flate: heart-link'd chain Those tender comforts of the heart—link'd chain, en'd ev'ry pain. Lighten'd each fetter—shorten'd ev'ry pain. flion of your Names? Pardon fair Carolines th' omission of your Names? In lieu accept Zenobia's daughters +- Dames ? ‡ enters +--Dames ? !

YE noble Senators, who first stood forth, Excuse th' attempt to portrait so much worth! 'Twas ye, in Congress, ventur'd to declare The rights of Freemen all Freemen should share; And boldly INDEPENDENCY proclaimed To present, and to States as yet un-hamed.

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d flood forth,

<sup>\*</sup> The Ladies of South Carolina made themselves voluntary prisoners with their husbands on board the prison ships.

<sup>+</sup> Zenobia was a couragious, handsome, chaste, and prudent Princess, and by her courage made her husband Onedatus Master of the East: she was full of cle-mency, but instexible to Tyrants.

<sup>1</sup> DAME was in England formerly a most respectable appellation, when Wirtue and noble qualities were in Estimation there.

We'll on some faithful Metal six each Name. Historic aid by Pennies may descend; Pence teach your sons their Country to desend From foreign soes; then stamp upon the mind, Our grands langers of domestic kind:

Each teach his Children o'er their pence to prate Our Jealousy's the Sarety of the State! With patriot Zeal their little hearts inspire; With straights deeds set all their souls on fire:

To wholesome laws let their submission bend;

Teach them those laws by valour to desend:

When each man's property shall be his own,
And Reace with Plenty your past labours crown:

Your glorious Acts will thus be handed down,
While Age to Age shall Echo your renown k.

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